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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Adolf EICHMANN

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. In our effort to locate all available information on EICHMANN, the SS man who, according to the newspapers, was seized by the Israelis on 23 May 1960, we have made a concentrated search through various captured German documents. Among the items on EICHMANN we have found a report dated 4 November 1937 which was prepared by EICHMANN, then an SS master sergeant, and one fnu HAGEN, then an SS first sergeant. The report provides details on the trip which EICHMANN and HAGEN took during September 1937 and contains data on a number of agents and informers who worked for the RSHA. Other captured records have brought to light the names of additional agents and informers. Details are provided in the attached interim report.
3. A final report will be forwarded to your office as soon as all inquiries, investigations, and research are completed.

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Acting Chief

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Adolf EICHMANN

1. On 4 November 1937 Adolf EICHMANN, then an SS master sergeant, and fnu HAGEN, then an SS first sergeant, prepared a report on their trip of September 1937 to various countries, including Israel (then Palestine). According to the report, Dr. Franz REICHERT, then a representative of the German news agency D. N. B., in Jerusalem, was one of EICHMANN's principal agents. Among sub-agents REICHERT handled was Felwel POLKES, aka Felbel POLKES, aka Felvel POLKES, a Jew who resided at that time in Tel Aviv. The report stated that POLKES had no profession and that his only means of livelihood was the money paid to him "by us" through REICHERT. He received a total of 20 pounds per month: ten pounds were his monthly salary; five pounds were a special payment; and another five pounds were given to him to pay one of his sub-agents, fnu KLEIN of Haifa. The report stated that POLKES had another sub-agent, one fnu SCHALOMI (or Schalomi Inu), who was a member of HAGANA.

2. Another captured German document is a progress report for the period 1 July to 31 July 1937, prepared by the unit of which EICHMANN was a member. It states that Felbel POLKES had the task of furnishing information on "HAGANA, political developments in the Near East, and universal organization of Judaism." Still other captured records contain extensive and detailed reports on HAGANA and other world-wide Jewish organizations. A study of these reports will be made in order to determine whether they were prepared on the basis of information furnished by POLKES and his sub-agents.

3. RID's central index contains no record on POLKES. However, a check of the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service has brought to light the following information:

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"Feivel POLKES

Arrived in U.S. January 1, 1954 at New York for business.  
Departed January 13, 1954. Occupation - Business Executive.  
Born - September 11, 1900, in Sohol, Israel. Nationality -  
Israeli. Race - Hebrew. Israeli passport #11538 issued  
February 17, 1953. Wife's name - Lisa. Address - 43  
Hillel Street, Haifa, Israel. Destination in U.S. -  
7704 - 141 St., Queens, N.Y. White hair, grey eyes, 5'6".  
Also in U.S. before in October 1953."

4. Through the efforts of the Office of Security, it has been possible to determine that the above-cited address in Queens consists of garden apartments. Number 7704 on 141 Street, one of these apartment houses, consists of six individual residences (apartments). Five of the residents at this address have moved there since 1954. The sixth apartment is occupied by the family of William H. WHITE. We shall endeavor to determine the names of the tenants of the other five apartments who lived there in January 1954.

5. We are conducting investigations on the following agents or contacts who worked directly or indirectly for EICHMANN in 1938:

- a. Fnu GENTZ, D.N.B. representative in Cairo. His area of activity was Egypt and the Near East; his principal task was the observation of development of "the Jewish State." He was in contact with Dr. REICHERT.
- b. Wilhelm M. BORMANN had been expelled, presumably from a country in the Near East. German attempts to have the expulsion order rescinded had failed; and at the time (January 1938) BORMANN was temporarily residing in Berlin. His area of activity had been the Near East, and he collaborated with Dr. REICHERT and fnu GENTZ. Occasionally Dr. REICHERT used him as a courier.
- c. E. F. ELMHURST operated in the United States. His area of activity was given as "America," and his task was observation of "anti-national socialist boycott leagues."
- d. Henri ARCHACHE, a lawyer, resided in Alexandria, Egypt.
- e. Samy MOUSFY, an editor, resided in Cairo, Egypt.
- f. Ibrahim CHANTI, aka SHANTI, owner and editor-in-chief of the newspaper, Ad-Difah, reported through Dr. REICHERT.

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